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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE**

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed on September 24, 2002, and received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 30, 2002, and responsive to the Office Action dated June 26, 2002 (Paper No. 18), please enter this Amendment and accompanying remarks. Also filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the associated fee. A petition for an extension of time for (5) five months through April 30, 2003, and the appropriate fee, accompany this response.